



Executive Director Board Report

June 2024

- Our 2023/2024 school year was a resounding success, culminating in various celebrations, including a memorable graduation. STEP, SUN, and ALEX were treated to an engaging BINGO session hosted by our dedicated Mental Health Professionals on the last day of school. This was a testament to the vibrant and inclusive learning environment we foster. Additionally, STEP held its annual end-of-the-year picnic, further strengthening our sense of community.
- As we set our sights on the 2024-2025 school year, our strategic focus remains on staff recruitment. We are particularly focused on attracting highly qualified Educational Assistants.
- The Extended School Year (ESY) for all programs will be held July 15-19 and July 22-26. ESY is additional summer programming for students as determined by individual IEP teams. This program is designed to prevent significant regression in academic and social skills, and to provide a platform for students to continue their learning in a supportive and structured environment during the summer break.
- We continue to make final preparations for staff returning in August 2024. Our professional development for teaching staff will include training required for the READ Act. Most of our licensed teaching staff will be trained in LETRS, and a smaller cohort of teachers will be trained in CORE. Teachers will be trained according to the needs of the students they serve. All Special Education teachers who teach reading will be trained during the 2024-2025 school year.
- Our building has been a hive of activity, with routine painting, repairs, cleaning, and rearranging already underway in June. This proactive approach ensures that our facilities are in top shape for the upcoming school year. We are proud of the well-organized and diligent efforts of everyone involved, which reflect our commitment to providing a conducive learning environment.